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# GLADIOLI

Iris, Peonies and Phlox

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MRS. DR. NORTON

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Brookland Gardens

S. E. SPENCER, Prop.

Lexington St., Corner Willow Woburn, Mass.

# The Modern Gladiolus

The development of this most popular summer flower has been so rapid during the past ten or fifteen years that practically all of the old varieties have been discarded and in their place we have a most astonishing collection of new seedlings and hybrids, brilliant in color, enormous in size as compared with the old garden sorts, and especially adapted to garden and house decorations on account of the lasting quality of the blooms.

Lovers of beautiful flowers will find that a collection of choice named varieties will give a great deal of pleasure for a small outlay, as the bulbs will retain their vitality five to eight years.

A **young bulb** of medium size is most valuable and old worn out bulbs of any size are practically worthless.

Any time from April 20th to June 15th, plant the bulbs right side up in single or double rows in deep furrows, leaving three inches space between the bulbs.

Do not plant in a shady location and do not allow fresh stable manure in contact with the bulbs. A sandy loam is ideal. Plant deep. Three to four inches of soil over the bulbs will keep them cool and moist and help to hold the stalks erect without the use of stakes.

If the spike is wanted for market or indoor use cut it off eight or ten inches from the ground, the morning after the first bud opens.

From the first to the middle of October in this locality is a good time to dig the bulbs, cutting off the old stalk and after drying, remove the old corm with the roots and store in shallow boxes. If kept too warm or too damp they sprout in storage. 40° to 45° is best.

## List of Varieties

**AMERICA**—Very delicate lavender pink, a great favorite. Large wide open flowers set close on a long straight spike.

Doz. 50c      100, \$3.00

**ATTRACTION** (Childs)—Cardinal red with white center, a striking combination.

Doz. 80c      100, \$6.00

**BARON JOS. HULOT** (Lemoine)—Velvety purple, medium size, white lines on lower petals.

Doz. \$1.00      100, \$7.00

**BLUE JAY** (Cowee)—Lobelia blue, lemon yellow throat with violet center, the largest blue. Spikes often crooked.

Doz. \$2.50      100, \$18.00

**CRYSTAL WHITE** (Baer)—Blossoms are medium size with a small mark of Tyrian rose in the throat. Spike tall and straight.

Doz. 60c      100, \$4.00

**CRIMSON GLOW** (Betscher) — Beautiful crimson bloom of immense size, velvety center, perfect form, very vigorous and early. First prize, Boston 1920.

Doz. \$5.00      100, \$35.00

**EMPRESS OF INDIA**—Plum violet, a rich dark color, buds almost black, medium.

Doz. 80c      100, \$6.00

**EUROPA**—Pure white, very fine, nearly all open at once, medium.

Doz. \$2.00      100, \$15.00

**EVELYN KIRTLAND** (Mrs. Austin)—Lustrous rose pink with delicate shading of lighter pink. Very tall graceful spike, petals slightly reflexed, many open at once.

Doz. \$1.50      100, \$10.00

**GIANT WHITE** (K)—An elegant white of good size and substance, with slight marking in the throat.

Doz. \$1.50      100, \$10.00

**GOLDEN KING** (Black)—Fine lemon yellow with blood red blotch, tall, vigorous.

Doz. 70c      100, \$5.00

**GRETCHEN ZANG** (Mrs. Austin)—Exquisite rose pink blending into a deep salmon blotch in lower petals. A prize winner and especially fine for all decorative purposes. Tall, late.

Doz. \$1.00      100, \$8.00

Single bulbs one-tenth the dozen price.

**HALLEY**—A lovely salmon pink, early, very attractive, an excellent market variety, very prolific, often two or three spikes from one bulb.

Doz. 50c      100, \$3.50

**HENRY C. GOEHL** (Fischer)—White, slightly flushed pink with a deep crimson blotch. Good spike with five to seven flowers open. Certificate of merit by American Gladiolus Society at Boston 1916.

Each \$1.00      Doz. \$10.00

**HERADA** (Mrs. Austin)—Pure mauve, very large wide open flowers on tall straight spikes, very handsome, a strong healthy variety.

Doz. \$1.50      100, \$15.00

**KING ARTHUR** (Kunderd)—Ivory white with a delicate crimson line in lower petals. Medium height, early.

Doz. \$1.00      100, \$7.00

**LILYWHITE** (K)—This is an exceptionally vigorous white, very early, and an ideal variety for forcing. Blooms medium size and well placed on the spike.

Doz. \$2.00      100, \$15.00

**L'IMMACULEE**—Pure white, medium size.

Doz. \$1.00      100, \$7.00

**LOVELINESS**—Creamy white with a pale salmon tint, amber white throat, tall, fine form, very attractive, many open.

Doz. \$1.50      100, \$10.00

**MARSHAL FOCH** (K)—Finest salmon pink, very large blooms, spike tall and strong. This new variety was much admired at the Boston Exhibition last August.

Doz. \$3.50      100, \$25.00

**MARY FENNELL** (Kunderd) — Beautiful mauve, lower petals primrose yellow, suffused mauve.

Doz. \$2.00      100, \$14.00

**MISS HELEN FRANKLIN** (Kunderd)—A new ruffled variety, pure white with slight violet marking in the throat. Tall, early, and very productive, many flowers open at once, a very promising commercial variety, winner of first prize for ruffled seedling New York 1917 and Silver Medal at Boston 1918.

Doz. \$2.00      100, \$15.00

**MRS. DR. NORTON** (Kunderd)—White, shading to soft pink at edge of petals, lower petals blotched sulphur yellow. Large flowers on a tall straight spike, perfect form. A very choice and beautiful novelty.

Doz. \$5.00      100, \$35.00

**MRS. FREDERICK C. PETERS** (Fischer)—A valuable seedling described by its originator as a beautiful shade of rose violet or lilac, with a crimson blotch on lower segment. Dark green foliage, strong spikes and many flowers open at one time. Late.

Each \$1.00      Doz. \$10.00

**MRS. FRANCIS KING**—Vermilion red, a well known and popular variety.

Doz. 50c      100, \$3.00

**MRS. FRANK PENDLETON** (Kunderd)—Beautiful rose pink, large ox-blood red blotch on lower petals. Large blooms well placed on a tall spike, extra fine for forcing, for market or for house decorations. First prize, Boston 1920.

Doz. 80c      100, \$6.00

**MRS. G. W. MOULTON** (Kunderd)—A new variety of great merit, tall and strong with an occasional double flower. According to the color chart the shade is lilac-purple and it would usually be classed as a rich dark red or magenta.

Doz. \$2.50      100, \$15.00

**MRS. WATT**—Clear crimson-red, a striking American beauty color, medium blooms, spike tall and straight.

Doz. 70c      100, \$5.00

**MYRTLE** (Kunderd)—The most delicate rose pink shading lighter to a creamy throat, medium size, a great favorite.

Doz. \$1.50      100, \$10.00

**MR. MARK**—Fine blue shading to light blue in the center.

Doz. \$2.00      100, \$15.00

**NIAGARA** (Banning)—Greatly admired for its immense creamy white blooms, often splashed with crimson carmine. Tall, vigorous.

Doz. 80c      100, \$6.00

**PANAMA** (Banning)—A grand pink variety, winner of many prizes. Blooms very large, spike tall and strong.

Doz. 80c      100, \$6.00

**PURPLE GLORY** (K)—A wonderful production, very tall and strong spike, blooms of rich velvety maroon with darker shading, beautifully ruffled.

Each \$1.50      Doz. \$15.00

**PEACE** (Groff)—The best late white, tall and vigorous. Sometimes suffused violet rose.

Doz. 70c      100, \$6.00



**PINK PERFECTION**—The finest rose pink, a wonderfully clear and beautiful shade, flowers extra large and many open. Spikes are likely to be crooked if weather is hot. First prize Boston 1920.

Doz. \$1.00      100, \$8.00

**RAJAH (K)**—A beautiful dark red suffused with a darker shade, immense blooms on a tall spike. Awarded silver medal by the Mass. Horticultural Society 1911.

Each 50c      Doz. \$5.00

**ROSA SUPERBA**—Bright pink, many open at one time, new.

Doz. \$1.00      100, \$7.00

**SCARSDALE (Cowee)** — Rosy magenta, splashed with a deeper shade. Usually classed as a mauve.

Doz. 80c      100, \$6.00

**SCHWABEN**—Amber yellow, very large blooms with small red mark in throat. Foliage broad, spike tall and erect.

Doz. 80c      100, \$6.00

**WAR**—Beautiful clear crimson, tall, late, vigorous, a grand red.

Doz. \$1.00      100, \$7.00

**WHITE GIANT**—A very large pure white, petals long and narrow, and flower when fully open resembles a six pointed star.

Each 50c      Doz. \$5.00

**WILBRINK**—A sport of Halley, and identical in growth habit and markings, but color is pale pink.

Doz. \$1.00      100, \$7.00

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## Mixtures

**PRIMULINUS HYBRIDS**—Choice seedlings, best selected mixture, contains some worthy of a name, extra large blooms and new and rare shades. A wonderful collection.

Doz. \$1.00      100, \$7.00

**FLORIST MIXTURE**—Seedlings in a great variety of colors and stray bulbs of named varieties.

Doz. 40c      100, \$2.50

**BROOKLAND SPECIAL MIXTURE**—We have a large assortment of beautiful seedlings from our finest sorts but not quite good enough to grow under name or number, and to these we have added the entire stock of several good named varieties which we do not care to list.

Doz. 75c      100, \$5.00



## Primulinus Hybrids

This new and valuable strain is remarkable for its beautiful pastel shades of yellow, saffron and orange. The flowers are smaller and more graceful than those of the usual types and some are beautifully ruffled.

**ALICE TIPLADY** (K)—Orange saffron, a beautiful color, blooms unusually large. Very choice.

Doz. \$2.50      100, \$18.00

**ALBION** (K)—Salmon rose.

Doz. \$2.00      100, \$15.00

**AMY BELLE** (Spencer)—Pure yellow of a brighter shade than the original Primulinus. Blooms hooded and slightly ruffled, spikes short and slender. Awarded first prize for best yellow Primulinus seedling at Boston, 1918-1920.

Doz. \$7.50      100, \$50.00

**ANTARES** (K)—Salmon orange.

Doz. \$2.00      100, \$14.00

**BUTTERFLY** (K)—Ruffled blooms of beautiful pale salmon. Strong and vigorous habit.

Doz. \$1.50      100, \$10.00

**DOROTHY WHEELER** (K)—This fine seedling was shown at Boston 1921 and pronounced one of the best of its class. The color is a rich rose pink.

Doz. \$3.50      100, \$25.00

**GOLDEN GATE** (K)—Extra ruffled yellow. Large showy blooms on a tall spike.

Doz. \$2.50      100, \$18.00

**ELBERTON** (K)—Very fine, clear creamy yellow, lower petals darker yellow. Tall.

Doz. \$1.50      100, \$10.00

**HELEN PEARL**—Pink and creamy white.

Doz. 80c      100, \$5.00

**LINTON** (K)—Ruffled blooms of fine salmon rose, lower petals golden yellow marked with rose.

Doz. \$2.50      100, \$18.00

**MAY TOY**—Shades of orange and yellow. Tall slender spikes, very decorative.

Doz. 60c      100, \$4.00

**SALMON BEAUTY (K)**—Large blooms of beautiful salmon shading to yellow in the throat; a fine exhibition variety, awarded certificate of merit, 1919, by Mass. Horticultural Society.

Doz. \$2.50      100, \$18.00

**SEDAN (K)**—Rich yellow, slightly ruffled, crimson lines on lower petals.

Doz. \$3.50      100, \$25.00

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## Collections

For the accommodation of those who do not care to make their own selections I have arranged several combinations at prices slightly less than the catalog values.

Please order by number. Price includes **parcel post** to any point east of Mississippi river.

**No. 1—Pink Perfection, Peace, Golden King, Scarsdale, War**—five bulbs—50c.

**No. 2—Prize Dollar Collection.** One bulb each of **Panama, Giant White, Schwaben, Crimson Glow, Blue Jay**—five grand varieties—all prize winners—\$1.00.

**No. 3—Big Value Dollar Collection.** One bulb of each of these ten varieties—**Niagara**, cream; **Mrs. Frank Pendleton**, pink; **War**, red; **Peace**, white; **Golden King**, yellow; **Scarsdale**, mauve; **Gretchen Zang**, pink; **Mrs. Moulton**, dark red; **Miss H. Franklin**, white; **Wilbrink**, pink—ten bulbs—\$1.00.

**No. 4—Amateur Collection**—50 bulbs, 10 named varieties—\$1.50.

**No. 5—Novelty Collection**—Eight new and beautiful shades are represented in this list: **Mrs. Watt**, crimson-red; **Prince of Wales**, apricot; **Mr. Mark**, blue; **Marshal Foch**, pink; **Mary Fennell**, mauve; **Myrtle**, rose pink; **Attraction**, cardinal; **Herada**, mauve—eight bulbs—\$1.00.

**No. 6—Primulinus Collection.** Five varieties showing some of the best of the new hybrids. **Alice Tiplady**, orange saffron; **Dorothy Wheeler**, pink; **Salmon Beauty**; **May Toy**, orange; **Elberton**, yellow; one of each, five bulbs—\$1.00.

**No. 7—Garden Collection.** Ten bulbs each of ten selected colors, all fine exhibition varieties—100 bulbs, labeled—\$5.00.

## **The New England Gladiolus Society**

Arrangements are not complete but it is probable the Society will hold the next exhibition in conjunction with the Mass. Horticultural Society, Boston, August 12-13, 1922.

All New England growers, both amateur and professional, are cordially invited to join the Society and help make this the largest exhibit of Gladioli ever shown in this country.

President, C. F. Fairbanks; 1st Vice-Pres., S. E. Spencer; 2nd Vice-Pres., John Zeestraten; Treasurer, C. F. Brown; Secretary, Robert R. Walker, Mansfield, Mass.

For prize schedules and membership blanks write to the Secretary.

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### **Suggestions**

The price of a single bulb is one-tenth the dozen rate.

Twenty-five bulbs of one variety will be billed at the 100 rate. Prices quoted on bulbs include parcel post charges on twenty-four or less of one variety to any point east of Mississippi river. For all points beyond add 10 cts. per dozen. Twenty-five or more at 100 price will be sent express collect.

Remittances may be in the form of certified checks, Post Office or Express Money Orders. Postage stamps accepted for small amounts.

When not convenient to remit with the order, small lots may be sent C. O. D. by Parcel Post.

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### **Prizes**

1918 **Mass. Horticultural Society**  
Silver medal and class prizes.

1919 **Mass. Horticultural Society**  
Silver medal and class prizes.

1920 **Mass. Horticultural Society**  
"Best display" and class prizes.

1921 **New England Gladiolus Society**  
and **Mass. Horticultural Society**, fifteen class prizes.

## Garden Iris

One of the best of the popular hardy perennials, blooming in May, useful for cut flowers and extensively used in landscape and garden planting. Plant in early spring or fall in a dry sunny location.

**PALLIDA**—Clear lavender, falls darker lavender, very tall and broad foliage. One of the best.

Each 15c    Doz. \$1.50    100, \$10.00

**FLORENTINA ALBA**—Early white, fragrant.

Each 10c    Doz. \$1.00    100, \$7.00

**KHARPOT**—Purple, very large and beautiful blooms, one of the best.

Each 25c    Doz. \$2.50

**QUEEN OF MAY**—Lilac shading pink and white.

Each 15c    Doz. \$1.50

**FLAVESCENS**—Soft delicate yellow.

Each 10c    Doz. \$1.00    100, \$6.00

**MADAME CHEREAU**—White, edges marked with blue, very handsome.

Each 15c    Doz. \$1.50    100, \$10.00

**MRS. H. DARWIN**—Pure white, slightly marked violet at base of petals. Free flowering, one of the best whites.

Each 15c    Doz. \$1.50    100, \$10.00

**RHEIN NIXE**—Standards pure white, falls violet blue with white edge. Very choice.

Each 50c    Doz. \$5.00

**HONORABILIS**—Yellow, medium size, free flowering. Falls light brown.

Each 10c    Doz. \$1.00    100, \$7.00

**GOLDEN PLUME** (Fryer)—S. golden yellow, F. chestnut brown edged yellow.

Each 20c    Doz. \$2.00

**CLARENCE WEDGE** (Fryer)—S. heliotrope, F. purple red veined white.

Each 75c    Doz. \$7.50

**LORELEY**—S. pale yellow, F. creamy white shading to purple at the tips with canary border.

Each 25c    Doz. \$2.50

One each of these 12 varieties, \$2.00.

One each of eight, my selection, \$1.00.

## Hardy Phlox

For late summer and fall flowers the hardy phloxes are enjoying a well deserved popularity. They need plenty of moisture and do well in partial shade. Plant in spring or fall, in rich garden loam. If troubled with blight spray the underside of leaves with Bordeaux mixture.

**ANTONIN MERCIÉ**—Ground color white, overlaid with pale lilac. Very large flowers. Medium height.

Each 15c      Doz. \$1.50

**MME. PAPE-CARPENTIER**—Large pure white flowers, beautiful trusses, extra.

Each 15c      Doz. \$1.50

**GLENMERE**—A very handsome pink.

Each 15c      Doz. \$1.50

**RICHARD WALLACE**—Pure white, violet red center. 32 inches.

Each 15c      Doz. \$1.50

**STELLA'S CHOICE**—Very tall, pure white.

Each 15c      Doz. \$1.50

**WANADIS**—Pale blue ground shaded white, with red eye. Very large trusses, medium height. One of the best.

Each 25c      Doz. \$2.50

**ELIZABETH CAMPBELL**—The most beautiful salmon pink, large trusses, very popular.

Each 25c      Doz. \$2.50

**R. P. STRUTHERS**—Bright rose with darker center.

Each 15c      Doz. \$1.50

**PLUTON**—French purple.

Each 20c      Doz. \$2.00

**WIDAR**—Deep violet blue, pure white eye; very attractive.

Each 30c      Doz. \$3.00

**GLENWOOD**—Bright clear red.

Each 25c      Doz. \$2.50

**EUROPA**—Large white blooms with carmine eye, large trusses.

Each 25c      Doz. \$2.50

Twelve plants, one each of above, sent express collect for \$2.00.

Ten plants, mixed colors, not labeled, \$1.00.

## Peonies

These popular and valuable perennials show best results when planted in rich deep soil, either in full sunlight or partial shade. Large clumps cannot be successfully moved and good blooms cannot be expected from small plants the first year after planting.

A peony must have time to form a good root system, and once well established they should not be disturbed for several years. The best time for planting is September and October.

The blooming season is in June.

**AVALANCHE**—Ivory white, sometimes with carmine markings. Strong grower and free bloomer, perfect form and very fragrant.

Each \$1.00     Doz. \$10.00

**COURONNE d'OR**—Large blooms of creamy white with a circle of yellow stamens. Free flowering, fragrant, and very desirable.

Each \$1.00     Doz. \$10.00

**DELICATISSIMA**—A charming pink, very free, early. One of the very best.

Each 50c     Doz. \$5.00

**DUTCHESS DE NEMOURS**—Cup shaped blooms, broad guard petals white and center petals sulphur yellow, sometimes shaded green.

Each 75c     Doz. \$7.50

**FELIX CROUSSE**—Large globular blooms of rich bright red, fragrant, strong grower, very choice.

Each 50c     Doz. \$5.00

**FESTIVA MAXIMA**—An old and deservedly popular white. Blooms are very large, rose type, pure white with flecks of crimson in the center. Strong profuse bloomer, early, delightfully fragrant.

Each 50c     Doz. \$5.00

**OFFICINALIS RUBRA**—The old-fashioned red garden peony, better than some of the new and expensive varieties.

Each 50c     Doz. \$5.00

**VENUS**—Large blooms of pale hydrangea pink, rose fragrance, very fine, early.

Each \$1.00     Doz. \$10.00

**MIXED COLORS**—Not labeled.

Three for \$1.00     Doz. \$3.00